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It's your potatoes that causes all  
the trouble in your home. Try ours  
and have happiness.

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City Market.

COCOS ISLAND—Some Questions An-  
swered.—"Why don't you take your gold-finding  
expedition to the Klondike instead of to  
Cocos?"

There has been more gold and silver lost  
on Cocos Island through the execution of  
three different plans than there has been  
output this year of all the mines of the  
Klondike combined. It isn't the right kind  
of weather anyhow to operate in Klondike  
weather. After our expedition will be  
back from Cocos time to time there will be  
the season opens. These instruments have  
located numbers of ledges in Western Wash-  
ington and British Columbia which are  
not yet developed into mines.

"How can you hope to succeed when so  
many have tried and failed?" There are  
7,000 acres there, and all previous expeditions  
put together have not dug up more  
gold than we did. The instruments  
will locate the exact spots where  
gold or silver are buried. Other searches  
have been made blindly for some particular  
treasure. Our search is for all treasures.  
The Blakely will leave this week. Our stock  
is going fast—\$10 per share. Prospects on  
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TRADING & DEVELOPMENT CO., LTD., 10  
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We recommend Carbide & Carbon  
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## Chili and Argentina

British Foreign Office Willing to  
Act if Asked to Arbitrate.

And United States Government  
Think This Would Be  
Satisfactory.

Both Countries However to Dis-  
pute Must Be Willing Before  
Action is Taken.

EXTENSION VOTE.  
Result of the Poll Taken on Amalgamation.

Nanaimo, B. C., Dec. 23.—(Special)—  
The vote at Extension on amalgamation  
as given in last issue for and 59 against the  
scheme. The 59 is said to be entirely  
independent of those who voted at the  
mass meeting in Nanaimo, those who  
voted at that meeting claiming they had  
no right to vote a second time.

EIGHT PATIENTS.

Number Laid up With Smallpox in Win-  
nipeg Hospital.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 23.—(Special)—  
Dr. Woolard in charge of the Winnipeg  
isolated hospital, is ill of scarlet fever.  
There are now eight patients in the  
smallpox hospital. All from outside  
points.

Hon. Robert Rogers, of the Provincial  
Cabinet denies there is any trouble  
in the provincial government on the  
prohibition question.

M. G. Nelly, a former Winnipeg  
Socialist, is dead at Bangor, Maine, of  
typhoid.

GONE TO THE FRONT.

Lieutenant Kirkpatrick Ordered to  
South Africa—Mrs. Powell  
Not Found.

Vancouver, C. B., Dec. 23.—(Special)—  
Lieut. Guy Kirkpatrick left for South  
Africa today having been ordered to  
the front.

In spite of rumors to the effect that  
Major Townsley, who is land registrar,  
would not run for mayor owing to ob-  
jections raised in the Attorney-General's  
office, Mr. Townsley says he is in the  
field to stay.

The strange disappearance of Mrs.  
Powell who left her home three days  
ago is still mystifying the police. Since  
Tuesday, 50 men have been searching the  
vicinity for the body, believing the  
woman murdered. The murder theory  
was first entertained by the police. Now  
they profess to have no theory.

TORONTO PIANO  
Factories Close

FIVE HUNDRED MEN IN THE LARGE  
Establishments Out on  
Strike.

RECRUITING IN MONTREAL IS LIVELY  
Colonel Montizambert  
Seriously Ill.

TORONTO, ONT., DEC. 23.—Nearly 500  
men employed in piano factories in  
Toronto are out on strike today, or locked  
out. The Nordheimer factory closed  
down this morning, virtually locking  
the men out.

The directors of the new Toronto hotel  
today decided to add two stories to  
the building making eight in all. The  
addition will bring cost of building up to  
a million and a quarter.

CORNWALL, ONT., DEC. 23.—Andrew Carnegie  
has promised Cornwall \$7,000 for a  
library building. The town agrees to  
furnish the site and pay \$700 per year  
for maintenance.

WINNIPEG, MAN., DEC. 23.—(Special)—  
It is announced here that Dr. J. Flavelle,  
the Canadian Ambassador to the United  
States, will be here next week. Dr. Flavelle  
was born in Cornwall, and was educated  
here. He is a man of great ability and  
energy, and is well known throughout  
the country.

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## BOERS HAVE MEASLES.

Some Prisoners of War at Bermuda Suffering From Disease.

Hamilton, Bermuda, Dec. 23.—The Boer prisoners of war landed on Hawkin's Island have been isolated, as several of them are suffering from a mild form of measles.

## EMPEROR WILLIAM.

He Will Visit the King Next Month.

London, Dec. 23.—The World announces the probability of a visit from Emperor William to London on January 20, where he will remain the guest of King Edward until January 24. The purpose of his visit is to attend the memorial service for the late Queen Victoria at Frogmore.

## FIRE AT LIVERPOOL.

Train on Electric Railway Catches from Fuse Explosion.

Liverpool, Dec. 23.—An explosion in a fuse box set fire to a train on the electric overhead railway at Dingle station today. Several of the railway employees were terribly burned and many were killed. It appears that the burning train entered a tunnel, stored with sticks of gunpowder, and sleepers there were also set on fire and the tunnel became a blazing furnace. The fire-brigade had the greatest difficulty to extinguish the flames.

## FIGHTING IN AFRICA.

Commandant Smits' Command Defeated—Krieze Killed and Mahon Wounded.

London, Dec. 23.—In the eastern part of the Transvaal Colony, Col. MacKenzie attacked Commandant Smits forces of Boers at Lake Bangazie, Dec. 20, and killed six and captured 16 of the enemy. Commandant Smits escaped.

A force of Boers, during the night of December 19, attacked the British post at Blandspruit, but were driven off leaving eight men killed, including Commandant Krieze, and Col. MacKenzie who was wounded and three other wounded men were also left on the field. The British casualties were seven men killed and six officers and 18 men wounded.

## NORTHERN SECURITIES CO.

Opinion of the Attorney-General of Washington State.

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 23.—Attorney-General Stratton today handed down an opinion in the Northern Securities company. The situation is briefly summed up and the closing paragraph is as follows: "It is the opinion of the attorney-general of the state that without further legislative enactment, the state, through its attorney-general, the maintain proceedings in the court to protect its people against trusts and monopolies and unlawful combinations, either under constitutional provisions prohibiting them, or under the common law. While the law is thus clear, the facts which I have been able to gather are so few and the real transactions so little known, that it is not possible for me to say at this time whether the facts exist upon which a suit could be successfully maintained by the state."

## FIGHTING REPORTED.

Several Small Engagements With the Boers.

London, Dec. 23.—Lord Kitchener in a despatch from Johannesburg, dated Saturday, December 21, sends reports of sharp fighting in the Orange River and Transvaal colonies.

Two hundred mounted infantry, in the neighborhood of Beaufort West, were engaged in skirmishes and were searching farms when they were attacked by about one hundred Boers and 40 armed natives under Commandant Britz. The Boers charged determinedly in overwhelming numbers. The British casualties were severe, but no details have been reported.

Lord Kitchener also reports that during Dewet's attack on the British force, commanded by Generals Dartnell and Campbell, at Langberg on December 18, the Boers charged bravely and fought desperately for several hours. Dewet was driven off with the loss of 20 men. There were 12 casualties on the side of the British.

On December 21, M. Botha, with 800 men surprised Colonel Damant's advanced guard at Tafelkop, Orange River Colony. The Boers rushed a kopje commanding the main body and the guns, but Colonel Damant rallied his men and drove the Boers from the kopje. The British casualties were heavy. Damant was dangerously wounded, two officers and 20 men were killed, three officers and 17 men were wounded. The Boers lost six dead on the field and dispersed.

The British pursued the enemy and captured a number of prisoners, including Commandant Keyter. Later the Boers, under a flag of truce, asked permission to remove their dead. They admitted having buried 27 men.

In a fight at Tafelkop, the Boers, dressed as British, were engaged in a splendid race with the British in the attempt to be first in gaining the crest of the kopje. The Boers gained the summit first and fired on the single trooper of Damant's Horse, which took part in the race. These troopers took advantage of the small amount of cover available, including the belt of the Boers and fought until all but four of them were killed or wounded. By that time reinforcements of Damant's Horse came up and captured the kopje.

The War office has issued another long despatch received from Lord Kitchener, detailing the murders of natives by the Boers. One case is given of a wagon driver who was captured from a British convoy in the end of 1900 and burned alive.

# E. & J. BURKE'S ★★ OLD IRISH WHISKEY

Especially suitable to those who do not like strong flavored whiskies. The extreme softness, mellowness, and fine character are produced by age and high quality.

Sale by all Leading Grocers and Wine Merchants.

## Local News

Chevy Rates.—The Great Northern railway company has issued advance rates for tourists from Chicago to Victoria. The rate from the Windy City to the coast is \$33, and from Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth, \$25. Tickets will be on sale at those rates during March and April.

Burglar at Work.—A thief entered Bitmacene's Old Curiosity shop at the corner of Yates and Blanchard streets on Sunday evening, and cleared out with four watches. He made his way into the shop by wrenching apart the padlock, which was rather weak. His haul was not very valuable, as the stolen watches are not worth more than \$8.

Grand Concert.—At Saanichton on Friday, the 27th instant, there will be given a grand concert, table lamp and minstrel entertainment, in aid of St. Stephen and St. Matthew's church. A supper will be given after the concert. Trains will leave Hillside station at 7:30. Admission to the hall 50 cents. The programme is a most elaborate one and should attract a large attendance.

Christmas Trams.—On Christmas morning the Street Railway company will give their regular Sunday schedule, except that a half hour's proviso will be given showing again the champion Victoria, that they are fine exponents of the game. The splendid combination and due showing of the Columbia, forays, together with the Columbia's own, the backs and make them a very formidable team, and when the ball is kicked off at 10:45, a splendid struggle is anticipated. The following players will represent the various lines: Columbia, full back; Shanks, R. Dahlby; half backs, Hart, Burns, Gartley; forwards, J. Lawson (capt.), H. Felt, C. Berkeley.

## INTERMEDIATES TO PLAY.

Match to Take Place Tomorrow Morning at Oak Bay.

Oak Bay Park will be the scene of an existing Rugby football match on Christmas morning, when the Victoria Intermediates and the High School play their return match. On the last occasion the intermediates had three players less than the High School, but a victory was a certainty for the High School by one try to none. Encouraged by this success, the High School boys are confident of winning this year, too. The Victoria Intermediates are to play to win out the score against them, and as both teams are well matched, a hard game is sure to be witnessed. The teams are as follows: Victoria Intermediates—Full back, S. Newcombe; three-quarters, S. Patton, R. McDonald, S. Blackbourne, R. Dennis; half backs, L. Poole, W. Redfern; forwards, W. Hart, J. Finlayson, N. Gowen, T. Carter, G. Simpson, W. Sweetland, D. Wilmer, T. Goddard.

High School—Full back, Anderson; three-quarters, Allott, Nethery, Patterson, Tait, G. Smith, G. G. Smith; half backs, Levy, H. Merchant (capt.), Ozden, Wilson, Miller, McCarter, Parker, Rogers.

The players are particularly requested to be on the grounds at 10 o'clock.

## HOCKEY MATCH.

High School Girls Defeated by Ladies' Hockey Team.

The Ladies' Hockey team and the High School girls again met in a match at Oak Bay yesterday afternoon, and the ladies won with a score of four goals to two. The High School girls were heavily hampered as the ladies' eleven consisted of four players, the ladies' eleven, however, but they played a remarkably plucky game, and gave their opponents a very hard struggle. The ladies will play the Vancouver ladies at the Terminal City next Friday.

## BASKETBALL.

Interesting Match at the Victoria Athletic Club Last Evening.

One Thief Caught.—Last evening two men entered the Chinese tailoring establishment at 19 Cormorant street, and when they left each carried a bolt of cloth. Constable Andrew Wood noticed one of the men carrying a piece of cloth and called to him. The thief dropped the cloth and ran into an alleyway, but the officer overtook him. In the meantime the tailor had telephoned to the police station and Constable Carlow arrived just as Constable Wood was subduing his captive after a sharp struggle. The other thief is still at large. The man arrested gave the name of James Miller. He is also known to the police as Tohne.

## SUPPLIES EVERYTHING.

Imperial Government Pays for All Outfitting of Third Contingent.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 23.—Steamship Lake Ontario arrived today with equipment for the third contingent. The imperial government is supplying everything for the new corps.

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Brandy Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure in 24 hours. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

## WOOLLEN DUTIES.

Opinion of Tailors to Be Taken on the Subject.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—At a meeting of the merchants tailors' section of the Retail Merchants' Association the manufacturers' proposal for an increase of duty on imported woolens was discussed, and it was decided before taking any definite action against it to secure the opinion of merchants throughout the country.

## PROGRESS AND SUCCESS.

Progress and success have been our constant reward up to the present time.

Now, as the departure on our dispensing facilities this winter will run on the most approved, tested, honest and accurate mark all our work.

We are daily renewing and assorting our stock of Perfumes, Atomizers, Sponges, Brushes, Combs and Toilet goods.

## THE PUBLIC VERDICT.

The public verdict is immensely in favor of Payne's Celery Compound. It is the great family medicine of the present day and never fails to do what it promises. Payne's Celery Compound will permanently cure kidney disease, liver complaint, fits resulting from impure blood, dyspepsia and stomach derangements. We sell the kind that cures.

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Victoria, West, B.C.

## MANITOBA LEGISLATURE.

It Will Meet for Business January 9.

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—It is understood tonight that the Manitoba legislature will be called together on January 9 to the despatch of business.

## PREDICTS ANNEXATION.

Trend of Feeling Among the Americans in Cuba.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 23.—"You will see an insurrection on the island of Cuba before a year has passed," said Dr. F. O. Young, who returned tonight from a visit to his brother, Lieut. Lucian Young, who has recently been relieved as captain of the Havana port, but has not yet resigned. Dr. Young says that the thinking class of Cubans are for annexation and that if the question is referred to a vote it would be carried.

As matters stand, he predicts that the Cubans will prove incapable of self-government, and that their unrestrained prejudices and the ignorance and discontent of a certain class will soon result in uprisings. He says that a number of officers to whom he talked shared this view, that annexation is the only hope of the island.

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## Victims of The Matteawan

Bodies Found Near Flattery Thought to Be Two of Her Sailors.

Ship C. F. Sargent on Fire at San Francisco—Braemar Reaches Port.

Two bodies have been picked up on the beach to the south of Cape Flattery by Indians, and are believed to be from the lost steam collier Matteawan, which in all probability foundered after leaving the Straits during the terrible gales of December 4. News of the finding of the bodies was brought to the port by the steamer Alice Gertrude on her return from San Francisco. Parties have left Neah Bay to endeavor to ascertain the identity of the victims, which, according to descriptions given to the Indian agent at Neah Bay by Indians those of white men in fair state of preservation. The shipping interests of the coast since the Matteawan disaster have been characterized by the overloading of American colliers and an officer of the United States lighthouse tender Manzanita has come forward in an interview given at Astoria with the statement that "the loss of the Matteawan was not surprising in view of the fact that the steamer's company, in overloading its vessel, made no man characterized the overloading of the Matteawan, which carried \$450 tons of coal from Nanaimo, as 'one of the greatest outrages ever perpetrated,' and commented unfavorably on the fact that the Matteawan was owned by the company that operated the lost Matteawan, which founders 1,500' off the Cape. The regulations against overloading enacted as a result of the labors of the late Samuel Plimoll do not apply on American ships, which have no load line, while on British vessels, the load line is determined according to the depth of hold and is higher in winter than in summer.

C. F. SARGENT ON FIRE.

Her Coal Cargo Burning and Ship May Have to be Scuttled.

The ship C. F. Sargent, which after being beached on the Cape put back to port in a leaking condition, and was repaired here, is in trouble again. A despatch from San Francisco, at which port she arrived a few days ago, says that on Sunday afternoon the ship C. F. Sargent, Capt. McEvily, lying in the stream, was discovered to be on fire in the coal cargo in the hold, and began to issue from the forward hatch. The smoke was seen by officers of the transport Slocum, and they immediately put out to the ship. A few minutes later Capt. Thomas, of the fish commission steamer Athabross, saw the smoke and sent Ensign Kempp and 12 men over to the Sargent. The fire was extinguished. Captain Marshall also went out to the Sargent and took his place under the direction of Capt. McEvily, began plying streams in to the forward hole.

Later in the afternoon the smoke disappeared, but Capt. McEvily was of the opinion that the ship would have to be scuttled or taken into shallow water and filled. The Sargent arrived Thursday last from Victoria with a cargo of 2,400 tons of coal.

BRAEMAR ARRIVES.

Northern Pacific Liner Reaches Port After a Stormy Passage.

Steamer Braemar, of the Northern Pacific line, Capt. Watt, arrived at the Outer wharf yesterday from Yokohama and the usual ports of China and Japan after a rough passage. She encountered the heavy gales for the greater part of the voyage. The steamer brought few passengers, but a heavy cargo of which 120 tons were landed at the wharf, before the vessel proceeded to Tacoma last night. The steamer Ossipee, which arrived at Tacoma on Saturday was delayed owing to a break down in her engine room. She will come to this port on her outward trip to carry a large consignment of dog salmon for Yokohama.

THE BARK PINMORE.

Court Finds Her Descent Justifiable and Recommends Better Towage.

The court of inquiry held at Portland to enquire into the causes that led to the desertion of the bark Pinmore, has rendered its report, which, in brief, is as follows:

The bark disaster was caused by the shifting of the sand ballast which is extremely dangerous; that although the abandonment was premature, as the vessel was subsequently saved, Capt. Jamison was justified; that the vessel was well equipped and manned; that the master is a capable navigator and did all in his power to avert the casualty; that the loss of life did not occur through any fault of officers or crew, but that the vessel had been provided with air

The returns are as follows:

Household Children

On Attended Visited Under 18 Years S. S.

Methodist ... 554 994 722

Anglican ... 705 1,145 580

Presbyterian ... 512 925 563

Baptist ... 158 334 200

Catholic ... 250 421 218

Reformed Episc. ... 88 169 89

Congregational ... 31 56 47

Christian Breth. ... 25 59 37

Christians ... 26 37 18

Salvation Army ... 10 15 5

Lutheran\*\* ... 14 4 0

Minor Sects ... 23 29 9

Mixed ... 156 178 161

NH ... 157 173 93

Not at home ... 65 .. .

2,741 4,440 2,659

\* Sabbath school, but children attend other denominations.

It is gratifying to note that nearly as many children are attending Sunday school as are enrolled in the public and High schools of the city, the numbers of each being: Sunday schools, 2,659; public schools, 2,679.

The religious bodies contributing enumerators for the census are the following:

Methodist Church (Chairman), W. Merchant, Jessie Colquhoun, William Seawright, John Weston and H. J. Knott.

J. N. Paton, Greenwood, is staying at the Victoria.

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## Mr. Sorby's Proposition

Argument For Stone Bridge at Point Ellice Meets With Favor.

Date of Elections Fixed and Deputy Returning Officers Appointed.

Last night's meeting was the most harmonious and businesslike which has been held for some time. A proposition from Mr. T. C. Sorby, urging the construction of a stone bridge at Point Ellice, secured the attention and sympathy of the council, and they decided to give it careful consideration.

The following communications were received.

The Hamilton Bridge company wrote acknowledging receipt of copy of a resolution of council in regard to the bridge.

P. C. Macgregor, asking for the completion of the permanent sidewalk on View street, opposite the Victoria theatre, and complaining of a nuisance caused by a stable at the same point.

First portion referred to the city engineer, and the latter portion to the sanitary officer. In regard to the bridge, Mr. Corby wrote as follows, urging a stone bridge at Point Ellice:

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Victoria.

Gentlemen.—In reconsidering the question of the bridge across the Victoria Arm at Point Ellice, may I be allowed, as representative of the public, to express my views as to what should be done?

A lattice-girder bridge cannot, in itself, be considered a permanent structure. It will require more labor than will be needed for repairs and painting, and would be a constant charge on the revenue of the city.

Aid. Cooley called attention to the bad condition of the iron bridge.

Ald. Beckwith asked, on behalf of the School Board, if there were no polling places fixed as follows:

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Victoria.

Ald. Brydges asked why the rock crusher was kept at work on Sunday.

Ald. Crease, on behalf of the proposed mortgagors, raised a point for the consideration of the court as to the power of the city to set aside the order for the sale of the property.

Ald. Bond, for the plaintiff, said the order should stand.

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nection with all minor public en-  
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### SMALLPOX IN THE EAST.

The young girl, whose affliction with  
smallpox caused the Rosalie to be sent  
to quarantine, was journeying from Tor-  
onto, and undoubtedly contracted the  
disease there. There is a great deal of  
smallpox all over the East, and the  
number of cases in Ontario is reckoned  
by hundreds. Fortunately it is not a  
very severe type. Nevertheless, an ef-  
fort must be made to keep it out of  
British Columbia.

The Board of Health has lately an-  
nounced that there is no smallpox in the  
Province, but how long this would be the  
case if indiscriminate traveling from On-  
tario is permitted, cannot be told. If  
the young girl on the Rosalie had come  
over the C. P. R., she would have landed  
in Victoria without question, because  
there is no medical inspection of  
trains and boats coming from other  
places in Canada; yet where one per-  
son from Ontario comes into the prov-  
ince by way of Seattle, probably a dozen  
come by the C. P. R.

Every avenue of ingress in the prov-  
ince should be watched just as closely  
as that by way of Seattle. We speak  
of this matter not because we suppose  
the provincial health officers are in any  
degree lax in their duty, but only be-  
cause it seems timely to direct public  
attention to the question.

### THE NAVAL RESERVE.

Considerable interest in the Naval Re-  
serve is developing among the seafaring  
men, and there is hardly a doubt that if  
the Dominion Government takes the  
matter up, strong and efficient officers  
can be got together in British Columbia.

No doubt the rate of pay allowed to  
reserve men in the United Kingdom  
would not be sufficient to tempt any of  
our sailors or seamen to join the re-  
serve, and this, not because they are  
lacking in patriotism, but because, when  
they are given to understand that they  
will be paid for their services, the  
amount which they are to get should  
bear a reasonable relation to the rate of  
pay on ships and sealers. The idea  
that has been most discussed is that the  
Imperial Government shall pay the re-  
serve men and the Dominion Govern-  
ment shall supplement the amount. But  
it is a question worth considering if the  
time has not come when Canada should  
assume the whole responsibility of main-  
taining a naval reserve. Tax payers  
raise no objections to paying for the  
militia, and one or two occasions have  
arisen when the maintenance of the  
force was more than justified. As yet  
nothing has happened to make us feel  
the necessity of a domestic naval force,  
but it would be very unwise to assume  
that nothing of that nature will occur.  
The Royal Navy is designed in case of  
war and operates anywhere that its  
presence is called for. The object of the  
Naval Reserve in the United Kingdom is  
to provide a coast guard that can man  
the ships which are retained at home.  
It is for this purpose that the reserve in  
this province would be designed.

It is obvious to every person at all

familiar with the conditions of the Navy  
that there is not a large force of men  
who can be drawn upon in case of hostil-  
ities. Any landsman can, with a few  
drills, be made fairly competent for  
work in the field. The new system of  
fighting on land does not call for highly  
trained men, but rather for those who  
are resourceful and not tied down by  
preconceived notions as to how men  
should fight. It is different at sea. To  
man a ship with a lot of landsmen and  
send them out against the enemy would  
be to invite defeat. At present there is  
no reserve force in this province  
from which men can be drawn, even  
to make up deficiencies in the crews of  
the ships on the station, much less to as-  
sume the responsibility of coast  
defense, and yet it is apparent that during  
the next quarter of a century the com-  
mercial importance of this part of Can-  
ada will be greatly augmented, and  
while we have no reason to anticipate  
the descent of the enemy upon our coast,  
it would be wise policy to be ready for  
such a thing, if it should occur.

The Naval Reserve is the first and the  
largest step towards securing safety for  
our marine and for the western termini  
of the Canadian railway system.

MRI. HIGGINS' LETTER.

Mr. Higgins has taken an unfair ad-  
vantage of our invitation to those who  
remember the facts in connection with the  
establishment of Responsible Gov-  
ernment, in this province to furnish us  
with a statement of them, for he seeks  
to impugn the motives of the Colonist  
in speaking of the matter. More than  
this, he completely mistakes the pos-  
ition of this paper, for he says that the  
Colonist endeavored to establish that  
the system is not in force here, while the  
contrary is what was stated. We shall  
not do Mr. Higgins the injustice to  
suppose that he believes what he says  
on this point. But since he has asked  
what the object of the article was, we  
may answer him with absolute frank-  
ness. It was written for no other pur-  
pose whatever than to show what Re-  
sponsible Government means, and was  
suggested by the speeches of Messrs.  
Roblin and Haultain, and it was  
also to correct the very general impres-  
sion that the Dominion government has  
a right to interfere in the affairs of this  
province.

Mr. Higgins is quite mistaken when  
he says that the Constitutional Act es-  
tablished the system referred to. The  
Constitution Act does nothing of the  
kind. Ministerial responsibility cannot  
be found anywhere in that piece of leg-  
islation, which does not even provide  
that the members of the Executive  
Council shall be members of the Legisla-  
ture. But the Speech of Governor Mu-  
grave foreshadowing such an enactment  
as the preliminary step towards Re-  
sponsible Government, followed by the  
passage of the act itself, does most pos-  
itively settle that British Columbia entered  
Confederation with precisely the  
same principles of government as the  
other provinces.

Mr. Higgins speaks of the delay in  
the Victoria election being contrary to  
the Speaker's mandate. He should read  
the law again. The Speaker does not issue  
a mandate. He issues a warrant, and a warrant  
is only an authority to act, not an order to act. The government  
cannot issue a writ for an election in  
the case of a vacancy occurring after  
the election of a Speaker without his  
authority, but when they shall hold it  
rests entirely with themselves. As an  
authority on Responsible Government,  
Mr. Higgins surely ought to know this.  
The law is just the same in the Domini-  
on, and there, as the Times showed  
last night, fourteen vacancies have ex-  
isted for varying periods, some of them  
dating from shortly after the close of  
the last session of Parliament. As to  
the vacancies in the Executive Council,  
Mr. Higgins knows as well as any  
one else that for permitting these to  
exist the ministry is responsible to the  
legislature and must be prepared to de-  
fend its action to that body, and that  
this is all there is to be said about it,  
from the constitutional point of view.

THE SUBSIDY SEEKERS.

In Sunday morning's Colonist the full  
text of the plaintiff's affidavit in the  
matter of the Grand Forks and Kettle  
River Railway vs. the V. V. & E. rail-  
way was printed. Upon this affidavit an  
interim injunction was granted against  
the V. V. & E. railway, restraining them from crossing the lands  
of the plaintiff company. The conten-  
tion of the latter is that that portion of  
railway building in British Colum-  
bia by the Great Northern is not a part of  
the V. V. & E. and that company's  
charter is being illegally used to enable  
the Great Northern railway to complete  
their branch from Marcus on the line of  
the Spokane and Northern to Republic.  
A glance at a map of West  
Kootenay and Southeast Yale shows to  
what extent the railway will benefit  
British Columbia, and a perusal of James  
H. Hill's affidavit will demonstrate  
how little the interests of this province  
occupied his attention. Other branches  
to Phoenix and Grand Forks and to  
Midway are also to be built under the  
V. V. & E. charter, request for permis-  
sion to do so now being before the Rail-  
way committee at Ottawa, but is being  
withheld pending the final result of the  
injunction proceedings. It is almost unnec-  
essary to remark that the Great  
Northern do not ask for subsidies from  
the Dominion or Province to enable  
them to construct this important and  
vital mileage. Under the circumstances  
they would not have the audacity to do so.  
It is different with some "patriotic"  
Canadians, who are not averse to ex-  
ploiting the public treasury for their  
own financial advantage. Without the  
dozen miles or so of railway from Cascade  
to Carson within this province the  
Washington and Great Northern rail-  
way could not obtain access to the  
public mines. With spurs to Phoenix and  
other points in the Boundary district  
it will reach the rich ore-producing sec-  
tions. Having its through connection  
completed in the State of Washington  
means of this vital 12 miles in this  
province, and aided by the spurs to the  
Boundary mining camps, Mr. Hill is  
assured of profitable traffic for the  
Great Northern, which will be in a  
position to bring Republic and Boundary  
ores to the American smelters for  
treatment. To be convinced as to his  
belief and intention in the matter it is  
only necessary to peruse his affidavit  
printed in Sunday's issue.

On several occasions the Times has

been seriously injured through the failure of  
the Dunsmuir government to accede to  
Mr. Bodwell's terms for the building of  
the two 30 mile sections of the V.  
V. & E., one of the considerations being  
a subsidy of \$4,000 per mile. The  
public can now understand the anxiety  
evinced to force these terms from the  
government. The arrangements of the  
Great Northern for building the missing  
link and the branches to Phoenix and  
other points had already been made, and  
if British Columbia could be held up by  
the promoters of the V. V. & E. for \$4,000 per mile, it would have  
formed the basis for a handsome  
dividend. The western 30 miles would  
have been comprised chiefly of the rail-  
way mileage necessary to carry out the  
agreement for Great Northern connection  
with the City of Victoria. The demand  
made for a provincial subsidy for  
this Western section is of the same au-  
thoritative character as the one for a sub-  
sidy for the Eastern section. The in-  
junction proceedings prove conclusively  
that the whole scheme was simply an  
endeavor to bluff the province out of  
\$40,000. They also prove the claim of

the Premier that the government by  
its refusal saved to the province this  
sum amount.

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Twenty different patterns in side-  
boards, solid oak, to choose from, at  
\$17.50, \$35, \$42.50, \$50, \$65 and \$75.

Dining tables in birch and oak, 8' and  
10 feet extension, from \$10 to \$65.

Some splendid samples in fancy iron  
beds, in bronze green, gold black, gold  
rose, green and blue in solid brass frame  
\$22.50 to \$50. This is the best line for  
the price that ever came to Victoria;  
also children's cribs in the same, from  
\$9.50 up.

Our upholstering department can sup-  
ply you with everything in that line at  
rock-bottom prices. Students' chairs,  
Morris chairs, Turkish chairs, leather  
chairs and lounges of all descriptions.

Perfumes

All prices, 15c to \$4.00.

Hair brushes and combs, separate and  
in sets.

Silverware

Sterling silver goods, etc. Toilet arti-  
cles, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50.

Trinket jars, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50.

**To Carry You Through**

The holidays some time from our place is absolutely necessary. One can't get along without some.

**Drugs and Medicine**

And the pure good kind such as is sold here. It is the only kind worth your money. Then there will be some presents to buy. A selection from our stock will be sure to please.

**BOWES,**

THE CHEMIST.

98 Government St., Near Yates St

**Suitable Presents For Her**

Toilet Cases  
Purses  
Card Cases  
Photo Album  
Frames  
Manicure Sets  
Writing Desks  
Vases  
Inkstands  
Work Baskets  
Prayer and Hymn Books  
Poets

We have an immense stock of the above, and one hundred and one novelties as well. Look us up before buying.

**Victoria Book & Stationery Co., Ltd.**

THOMAS EARLE, M.P. President.

H. S. HENDERSON, Manager.

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Blue Ribbon White Label Tea is delicious.

Cutlery at Cheapside.

Tools for the boys at Cheapside.

Heating Stoves, in great variety at Clarke &amp; Pearson's, 11 Yates street.

Tea sets at Cheapside.

For all the requisites for a good old-fashioned plum pudding and mince pies that your mother used to make call on Fell & Co.

The Victoria News Co., stationers and booksellers, offer at very reasonable prices Bound Poet's Presentation Volumes and Juvenile Books. R. T. Williams, manager, 80 Yates street.

**See What We Have!**

We are prepared to supply you with just what you want for Xmas. Our holiday stock is full of quality, variety and beauty, for young and old, with the best of everything at popular prices.

**Ormond's Bookstore**

96 Gov't Street

Have your Xmas Upholstering done by Smith & Champion, 100 Douglas street.

Bridge-The new card game at Victoria Book & Stationery Co., Limited.

On Christmas Eve the Victoria Cafe will serve a Turkey Lunch and Dinner, for the convenience of those down shopping, at the usual price, 25c. Extra quick service for those who are pressed for time.

R. T. Williams will be a candidate for Central Ward in the municipal election.

**Smokeless Cartridges**

The latest and best for shot-guns and rifles at

**John Barnsley & Co.**

116 Government Street.

**Kodaks and Films**

The popular route to Nanaimo is by the Victoria and Sidney Railway and steamer, round every Monday and Thursday. Single fare \$1.50; return good for ten days \$2.50.

Xmas Cards by the million at Victoria Book & Stationery Co., Limited.

For good turkeys and geese call at Brown & Cooper's, 89 Johnson street, or 31 Government street. Tel. 621.

Chris mas Dinner at Poodle Dog Tuesday and Wednesday from 5 P.M. Watch for our Christmas menu.

The Finest Made—Martell's Three Star brandy.

Ladies—why pay more for inferior tea? We can give you the best for 35c. Direct Importing Tea and Coffee Co., corner Douglas and Johnson.

**New Arrivals For Xmas Presents**

Still keeping up our reputation for the newest styles in

**Hats, Ties and Shirts**

A new lot of these goods just arrived direct from the leading manufacturers; also a new lot of Smoking Jackets and Dressings.

**SEA & GOWEN**

Men's Furnishers and Hatters.

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Iron, Steel, Pipe, Fittings, and Brass Goods.  
Building, Mining and Logging Supplies a Specialty.  
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In Any Quantity  
At the Lowest Price.  
The Brackman-Ker Milling Co., Ltd.**XMAS GIFTS**

Fine Purses ..... 75c. to \$6.00  
Fountain Pens .... \$2.00 to \$7.00

**Pope Stationery Co.**

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Anyone can do his best, but the trouble with most of us is that our best isn't good enough.

**Tomorrow May Never Come**

You may fully intend to insure tomorrow? How do you know there will be a tomorrow for you? Insure today. Do not wait because of your present inability to carry a large amount; a small policy is better than none. Besides, while you are waiting, the cost is increasing! Take out a policy for some amount now, while you can get it.

The most attractive policies are issued by THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK. It will pay you to examine before insuring elsewhere.

HEISTERMAN & CO.,  
District Manager

**New Goods****FOR Christmas****C. E REDFERN, = 43 Gov't Street****LOCAL NEWS.****PREPARATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS**

Bright Weather and Beautiful Display of Holiday Goods Attract Crowds.

Yesterday's bright sunshine and crisp ozone-laden air brought out a multitude of Christmas shoppers, and all day long and late into the night the retail business streets were thronged with ladies and children, whose bright, smiling faces made a pleasing moving-picture. The stores were crowded with eager buyers, who wants the attendants made super-human efforts to fill—their good-nature, tact and endurance being taxed to the uttermost.

The storekeepers vied with each other displaying the choicest articles to the best advantage and added piquancy by the introduction of evergreens, flags and streamers, many of the decorative devices showing exceptional good taste in their arrangement. The familiar, home-like Holly was everywhere—with its scented berries, nestling in a glistening panoply of dark green leaves, it stands for Christmas the world over, and will be its chiefest emblem while the day is celebrated.

Inventor Here.—Mr. D. D. Enyeart, the inventor and operator of one of the world-finding instruments to be taken to Cooee Island, and Mr. Bush, an expert miner, have arrived from Spokane to go on the Blakeley expedition, which is expected to start this week, after Christmas.

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A Scene of Great Activity from Morning till Night

**Notice!**

Our Patrons are urged to do their purchasing as early as possible so that all goods may be delivered in good time.

**Notice!**

## DEPARTMENTS:

### FURNITURE

Sideboards, Cabinets, Occasional Tables, Occasional Chairs, Rattan Goods, Children's Chairs, Baby Carriages, Pictures, Dining Tables, Upholstered Goods, and 1,000 other things.

### Rugs and Draperies

Oriental Rugs, Templeton's Squares, Beautiful Hearth Rugs, Fine Line of Lace Curtains, Tapestry Curtains, Silk Mantel Drapes, Eider Down Quilts, Damascus Brassware, Figures for Oriental Corners, Table Linens, Etc., Etc.

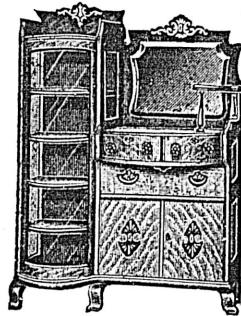
### CHINA AND GLASS

Artistic Basalt Pottery, Hadleys' Worcester China, Brass Goods (large assortment), Libbey's Celebrated Cut Glass, Venetian Glassware, Berry and Fruit Sets, Dinner and Tea Sets, Cake Plates, Cheese Dishes, Lamps and Ornaments at all kinds of prices.

### Cutlery and Silverware

Rodgers' Superior Cutlery, Fish Sets, Fruit Sets, Etc., Liqueur Stands, Claret Jugs, Butter Dishes, Biscuit Boxes, Silver Salvers, Cake Baskets, Cruets, Ladies' and Gent's Brushes, Bells, Manicure Sets, Napkin Rings, Game Carvers, Fine Line of Meat Carvers, and a host of equally useful articles.

A BEAUTIFUL LINE OF  
Combination Sideboards  
and China Closets.



From \$55 to \$85.

A perfect gem in the Dining-Room. These Boards are in quartered Oak; highly finished and substantially made.



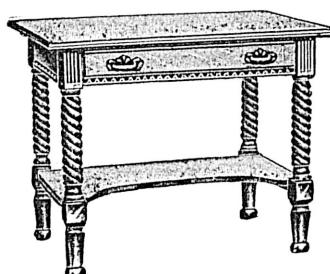
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#### LAMPS

What can be nicer as an Xmas Gift?

A Smart Assortment of Pretty Lamps from \$1 to \$20.

#### Library Tables

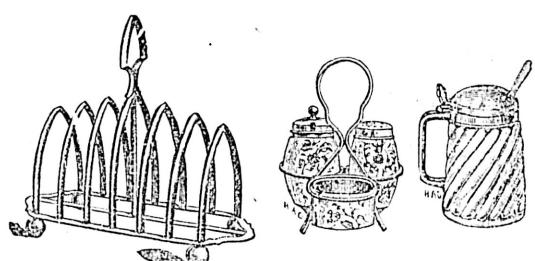


In plain or elaborate styles. Absolutely needed in the library.

A Very Choice Selection

From \$10 to \$40

In Oak, Mahogany or Magnolia.



We have an excellent assortment of Small Wares in our Silverware Department (first floor).

It is not necessary to pay a high price for a pretty thing, for we can supply you with beautiful goods at small cost.

*The Store will be illuminated and everything done to give the final touch to our magnificent display of "Christmas and New Year's Goods."*

# WEILER & BROS.

Extend thanks for past patronage and wish their customers and friends a "Very Happy Christmas."

# Toys, Fancy Goods and Notions

We claim to be able to fill an order to Santa Claus better than any house in the city.

Toys of every description, Work Baskets, Toilet Cases, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Photo Albums, Photo Frames, Autograph Albums, Vases, Glass Ornaments, Fancy Cups and Saucers, Xmas Tree Decorations, Flags, Masks, Games, etc.

## GOLDEN RULE BAZAAR

**W. WILBY, Proprietor**

91 DOUGLAS ST

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

### MINING EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

(Published by A. W. More & Co., Ltd.)  
Toronto, Dec. 23.—The following were the closing quotations on the Mining Exchange today:

	Asked.	Bid.
Ann. Canadian (Alice A.)	11½	12½
Black Tail	11½	12½
Canadian G. F. S. ....	4½	3½
Cariboo Hydraulic	\$1.10	95
Centre Star .....	31	29½
Carter Goldfield	15	13½
Crown's Nest Pass Coal	\$80	76
California	4½	5½
Deer Trail Con	2½	2½
Fairview Corn	4½	5
Golden Star	5	3
Iron Mask	17	14½
Morrison	4	2½
Mountain Lion	28	23
North Star .....	27	23
Ore	6	5
Pine	20	18
Rainbow Cariboo Con	60	52
Republie	34	30
Virtue	11	9
White Bear	2½	2
Winnipeg	5	3½
Wonderful	3	2

TORONTO SALES.

War Eagle, 200 at 4½.  
California, 4,350 at 4.

Copper, \$1,000 at 30%, 1,000 at 30%.  
Republic, 1,000 at 33%.

ROSSLAND SALES.

White Bear, 5,000 at 3.  
Cariboo McKinley, 1,000 at 13%.

Centre Star, 1,000, 1,000 at 31.

Rainbow Cariboo, 2,000 at 68%.

Winnipeg, 5,000 at 3.

PRICES BEING PAID FARMERS.

Hay, per ton ..... \$10

Oats, per ton ..... 22½

Wheat, per ton ..... 22½

Barley, per ton ..... 25

Eggs, per dozen, (trade) 50¢

Eggs, per dozen, (canary) 52¢

Potatoes, per ton (loaf) \$16

CHICAGO MARKETS.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—The following were the closing prices of futures on the Exchange today: Wheat, Dec. 78¢; Jan. 75¢; May, 82¢; July, 80¢; Oct. 60¢; and Dec. 61¢; May, 67¢; July, 64¢; Oct. 60¢; June, 59¢; Sept. 33¢.

FRIENDLY HELP.

Good Work Performed by the Society—List of Donations.

The Friendly Help society has distributed Christmas cheer to between 50 and 60 families, including parcels of meats, groceries, etc. Following is a list of the donations:

Mrs. D. Macrae, Mrs. Williscroft, Mrs. Strongren, Mrs. McMickling, Mrs. Nolle, Mrs. W. H. Wood, Mrs. W. H. Saunders, Mrs. Dupont, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Gaundin, Miss Skinner, Miss Angus, Miss Kathleen Taylor, Mrs. Anna Taylor, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. McKeenzie, Miss Edith Mallett, Miss Alice M. Mallett, Jim Watson, Mrs. H. D. H. Macken, Mrs. George Glover, Mr. G. Powell, Mrs. Newby, Mr. Friend, Mrs. Warden, F. Fell, Miss Daisy Salmon, Mrs. A. Brown, Miss Ethel May, Mrs. Mrs. Mara, Mrs. William Wilson, Mrs. Stadthagen, Mrs. McKittrick, Mrs. G. Robinson, Mrs. Gould, Mrs. Browne, Miss Marion Kanes, Miss Eleanor Kanes, Miss Beatrice Kanes, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. D. R. Kerr, Edward Greer, Mrs. A. A. Green, Mrs. Edwin Johnson, the Misses Harvey, Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. Templeman, Mrs. Chambers, Mrs. Rykert, Mrs. Erb, Mrs. Billingham, Mrs. Forman, Mrs. J. York, A. Friend, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. G. H. Broderick, Mrs. Suy, Mrs. W. Mrs. Stevens, Miss McDonnell, Mrs. Benven, Mrs. Chas. Kent, Mrs. Berkley, Mrs. Morley, Central School, South Park School, Victoria West School, North Ward School, Hillside Avenue School, Spring Ridge School, Kingston Street School.

Cash donations will appear later.

For Tom Smith Bon Bons go to Fell & Co.

A GRAND DISPLAY.

Christmas Presents Galore and at Prices to Suit All.

The person who would find any difficulty in getting just what is wanted for most acceptable Christmas gifts in the stock of the Victoria Book & Stationery company must indeed be hard to please. Toilet cases, purses, card cases, photo albums, books of all kinds till further orders and a thousand and one other et ceteras, each and every one of which is capable of being a thing of beauty and a joy forever to the fortunate recipient, are here in shoals. The store although crowded from morn to eve, is by no means shorn of its plethora of objects of art, etc., and no need fear that his or her wants cannot be suited to a "T."

PERSONALS.

Charles H. Lugin, editor of the Colonist, was yesterday confined to the house through indisposition, the result of a cold.

F. Carter, editor of the Vancouver News-Advertiser, was yesterday at the Drury.

C. H. McCurdy, Brockville, Ontario, a wholesale hide and wool merchant, is registered at the Dominion.

MacLean, Towey and Ald. W. J. McCullum, of Vancouver, spent yesterday in the city.

Stephen Jones returned from the Sound yesterday.

W. T. Roper, wife of Cherry Creek, Kamloops, and son, C. Cornwall, or Ashton, were at the Drury.

P. J. Pearson, Chemainus, who has been staying at the Dominion hotel, left for Seattle last evening.

CHARACTER IN MEDICINE.

There is character in Dr. Chase's Ointment—just such character that it has won the world over. Dr. Chase's Ointment has stood the test of time and remains today the only actual cure for piles and itch skin disease. It is the standard ointment of the world. You can rely on it just as you rely on Dr. Chase's Receipt Book, because you know that it is backed by the sterling character of Dr. Chase—America's Greatest Physician.

ST. MARTINS.

Cor. Oak Bay and Richmond Ave.

Pleasant comfortably furnished rooms to rent, with or without board.

### FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.

GENUINE ENGLISH MISTLETOE at Intervale Store.

FOR SALE—High grade Piano in first class condition. Apply to 70 Princess avenue. A bargain.

FOR SALE—Singer hand sewing machine; \$10, \$12 and \$25 cash, or will rent for \$2 per month. Sutton, 95 Port street, between Douglas and Blanchemer.

FOR SALE—Horse and harness cheap for cash. Apply No. 62 South Pandora St.

WANTED—If you want a suitable Xmas gift for a gentleman, you cannot do better than get a Smoking jacket or Bath Robe. Only a few left and they will go at actual cost. Phillips, Hatter and Furnisher, Government St., Adelphi Hotel.

GOING NORTH?—FOR SALE—Fur coat, bargain. To be seen at Munday's Boot Store, No. 89 Government street.

FOR SALE—A new high grade PIANO, cheap for cash. Address "A. M.", Colonist. Piano may be seen at 39 North Park.

GOING NORTH?—FOR SALE—Fur coat, bargain. To be seen at Munday's Boot Store, No. 89 Government street.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Schooner "Vesperus" 20 tons. For particulars apply James Hunter, Box 43.

CANARIES FOR SALE at Mrs. Lang's, 3½ Douglas street, upstairs.

FOR SALE—Furniture, stoves, books, and hardware of all kinds, Biltmore's Curio Shop, Yates Street, opposite Dominion Hotel.

FOR SALE—A large number of new cushion tops, new lacquered blinds, in all colors, with designs, at Mrs. W. H. Adams', 78 Douglas Street.

POULTRY, LIVE STOCK, ETC.

FOR SALE—200 one-year hens and young pullets. Brixton turkeys, thoroughbred.

FOR SALE—White Wyandotte cockers and Belgian hens, choice stock. E. Robinson, 16 Young street, James Bay.

WANTED—Girl for light housework. Apply 206 Yates street.

WANTED—RESIDENCES.

WANTED—By married couple, no children, small furnished house or bungalow, with modern conveniences. Terms and particulars to A. M., Colonist.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

WANTED TO PURCHASE—One tubular boiler, 10 to 12 horse power, new or second hand, in good condition. Lowest cash price. James Young, 1025 Comox street, Vancouver.

SELL YOUR JUNK AT EDEN'S Licensed Junk Stores, 125 Fort street, instead of Chinese, who evade paying licenses, and mix vegetables with junk. Coal oil cans, etc. each.

SHINGLE BOLTS WANTED—The North Pacific Lumber Co., Ltd., Barnet, B.C., being open to purchase shingle bolts, will be glad to hear at once from interested parties.

WANTED—A 10 or 12 bore second hand hammerless double-barrelled shotgun. State price and particulars, care H. G. P. O. Box 100, Victoria.

PERSONAL.

THE WINNING NUMBER in the raffle for a Battenburg lace curtain, held at Mrs. Tripp's Millinery Store, on December 3rd, was 24.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

HOTEL TO LET, VANCOUVER, B. C.—Hotel Metropole, centrally situated between street and back, best commercial house. Six bedrooms, two parlors, dining room, library and reading rooms, ladies' parlors, bar and offices. Large well-lighted basement, suitable for barber shop and billiards. Stoves, heating, electric lights, elevators, private heating, modern and good repair. Established money-making business; \$2 upwards. To rent from January 1st, unfurnished. Open to all, provided there is no furniture. Good proposition, will have chess, draughts, cards, etc. Address, Owners, 1031 Robson street, Vancouver, B. C.

TO LET—FURNISHED ROOMS.

TO RENT—Furnished room for gentleman in well-appointed house, centrally situated. Address Christmas, this office.

FOR RENT—A cosy parlor with bedroom, open fire place, with or without board. All conveniences.

TO LET—Furnished housekeeping rooms at Elmshore House, 104 Pandora. Apply 97 Quadra. Telephone A776.

TO LET—Suite of rooms suitable for housekeeping in Victoria West. Apply "S." Victoria West P. O.

TO LET—Comfortable furnished front room, with heater. 67 View street.

TO LET—Part of a house with use of kitchen or bedroom and breakfast, near Beacon Hill Park. Address R. T. Colson, 1st office.

TO LET—ROOM AND BOARD.

TO LET—Pleasant rooms for few gentlemen. Desirable and central locality, close to tram. Good cook. Address St. Bernard, Vancouver street.

PLEASANT, comfortable home in house of retired Mrs. J. L. Quadra street, Victoria. B. C. Phone 250.

WANTED—A few respectable gentlemen boarders, where they may enjoy home comforts, with washing done at home. 23 Perry street, James Bay.

TO RENT—RESIDENCES.

TO LET—New modern eight roomed house, electric light, piano, sewer connection. Apply on premises, 66 Rae street.

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GOING NORTH?—FOR SALE—Fur coat, bargain. To be seen at Munday's Boot Store, No. 89 Government street.



## MINES AND MINING

By H. MORTIMER LAMB

## YUKON GOLD IN UNITED STATES

A return has been made showing the business transacted by the United States assay office at Seattle since its establishment in July, 1898, which is well worth studying. In 1898 the deposits at this institution amounted to \$37,612.77 Troy ounces of gold, valued at \$5,678,213.52; in 1899 the aggregate deposits for the year amounted to \$61,630 Troy ounces, at \$12,971,879.29; in 1900 the business transacted through this office showed a further gain, \$1,345,029.65 ounces of gold, to the enormous value of \$22,635,795.79, having been purchased from miners. To October 31 of the present year, when the office closed, the total value of the deposits, though still sufficiently considerable, representing the respectable sum of \$14,184,356, there is a decrease for the first time consequent, of course, on the establishment of the Dominion assay office at Vancouver although much of the gold assayed by the Canadian office is afterwards sold to the mint at San Francisco, passes through the hands of the Seattle institution. Of the great quantity of gold melted at Seattle during the last three years, the equivalent valuation of which is no less than \$54,873,235.51, very nearly \$80 per cent originated from the British Yukon and British Columbia. The totals in full are made up as follows: From Nome, Alaska (U.S.A.), gold to the value of \$7,094,031.27 was received; from other Alaskan mining districts \$1,526,080.87, and from the state of Washington, \$800,991.25; or from all American sources total of \$8,921,12.42; while the Yukon alone contributed to the total return \$3,700,584.68, and British Columbia, \$2,241,563.40. Even with the present by no means perfect arrangement effected by the Dominion authorities for the purchase and handling of the gold produced from the Yukon, much of the desired object has been accomplished, as the above figures demonstrate, for the decrease in the business of the Seattle mint is not, of course, due in any falling off in the Yukon gold yield, which, as is well known is greater in the aggregate this year than last. But surely this very circumstance serves to emphasize Canadian slackness in the past, which allows three years to elapse before adopting measures to check American encroachments on preserves that were strictly our own.

## YMR DIVIDENDS.

The fourth dividend for 1901 has just been paid by the Ymr Mines, Ltd., making the total distribution during the year \$102,000. That the profits are being well maintained is indicated by the fact that the last returns made of monthly profits are in excess of those of any previous month. It is expected that the new cyanide plant will be in operation in about two months' time, when the monthly profits will be increased by about \$6,000. Up to date the rich ore recently encountered in the No. 4 level has not been drawn upon.

## THE NEW FAIRVIEW CORPORATION.

As a number of people in Victoria hold shares in this undertaking, they will doubtless be gratified to learn that prospects at the mine continue to improve. A correspondent informs me that the mill is now working on ore from the workings and the returns are said to be most satisfactory. In cutting the vein at the 300-foot level, the ore body was found to have greatly increased in width while values are being well maintained. The new discovery may alter the company's plan of working and render feasible the adoption of the caving system of mining, which will greatly decrease costs by doing away with the necessity for timbering. Ore is now being chiefly taken from the second level.

## ROSSLAND STRIKE SITUATION.

There is apparently now actual cause to conclude that the Rossland strike is at any rate for the meantime, at an end, the employers in this instance having won their point. The other day the executive board of the Rossland Miners' Union issued the following ultimatum: "Notice is hereby given that all exemptions to the strike order of July 21, 1900, at the War Eagle and the Centre Star mines are removed after this date, and the strike applies to all classes of labor employed in or about those mines, including engineers, pumpmen, watchmen, firemen, etc."

This order was absolutely disregarded, the men having very wisely decided to remain at work, for, as one of the contractors stated, he and his fellow-miners having earned last month an average of \$208 for 26 days' work, there was little inducement to idleness. In the same manner the 50 men employed on the Centre Star refused, with one exception, to obey the mandate of the executive board.

## LEAD SMELTING AND THE MINING INDUSTRY.

Mr. J. Rodenier Robertson has written an interesting letter to the Nelson Tribune comparing the conditions of the British Columbia lead mining industry this year with those existing at the close of 1900. After assuming for the purpose of argument, that the cost of mining, taxation, etc., are approximately the same as formerly, the points to deal with the subject of smelting rates and lead price, as follows:

On December 15, 1900, the smelters made settlements at the rate of \$2.75<sup>1/2</sup> per 100 pounds of lead, and for silver at 64 cents per ounce. This year settlements were made on the 4th of December at 50<sup>1/2</sup> per lead, \$1.37, 2<sup>1/2</sup> per 100 pounds, and for silver, 55 cents per ounce. On the 11th of December, instant, lead was settled for at a rate of \$1.32<sup>1/2</sup> per 100 pounds, and silver at 54<sup>1/2</sup> cents per ounce; whereas on the 14th of December, instant, the basis for settlement for lead was \$1.27 per 100 pounds, and for silver 55 cents per ounce.

Upon the above basis a ton of silver-lead ore carrying 25 per cent. of lead and 60 ounces silver would have netted from the smelter on the 15th December, 1900; for lead, 500 pounds, less smelter deduction of 10-per cent., which leaves 450 pounds, at \$2.75<sup>1/2</sup> per 100 pounds, equals \$12,393; and for silver, 60 ounces, less smelter deduction of 7 per cent., which leaves 55 ounces, at 64 cents, equals \$36.48, or a total of \$18,877.21, the ton cost of which would have to be paid the cost of supplies, powder, superintendence, labor for mining and also for development, before the stockholders obtain any dividend.

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## DOINGS IN LODGE ROOMS

### A Lull in Society Work During the Christmas Holiday Season.

There will be a lull in society circles next week, Christmas holidays filling the closing days of the month. Several societies meet weekly, but the majority meet fortnightly, and as this month commenced on Sunday, most of the lodges have had their full quota of meetings. Most societies through their by-laws ban discussion of controversial nature, but those whose by-laws are broad enough have a distinct advantage, as it admits of the arrangements of lectures and addresses which a great extent help to make the visits of members more regular. In most societies the work of running through the routine business, minutes, reports of committees, reading the medical report, receiving applications for membership, up to more than twice the number of members receiving an advantage of an educational or entertaining character. Some of the lodges of the L. O. O. F. have set an example that may with advantage be applied by other societies. The Rev. Mr. Miller and Dr. Ernest Hall have contributed addresses of such a nature that make attending societies a pleasure. These are to be continued through the winter, and the enterprise of the members deserves success.

The banquet held on Friday evening by the delegates of the Federated Board was a great success, almost every lodge in the city being represented, and the speeches made were of a very high order. The banquet was held so that the work of the board could be reviewed, and to allow the members to express their regret at the resignation of Dr. E. Hall, whose special surgery work and private practice is making it impossible to continue the work of the order. The speeches paid a high social tribute to the doctor's skill, the care of the members and the self-sacrifice shown whilst he had been the medical officer. Referring to the toast of his health, the doctor made a splendid speech touching on many points concerning society work, the cost and the difference between the Eastern and British Columbia charges, and the benefits received by members. Incidentally, it was remarked that one lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., had out-clashed all others \$18,000 in the last term, and this was by a member of the lodge who was residing in Dawson. Dr. Hall pointed out that by the rigid examination of members the societies in British Columbia were subject to less demands than societies in the East. The banquet was a great success, and it was the means of enabling those present to get a large amount of information connected with society work.

The Local Team Blues at their next meeting will elect their officers for the ensuing term. There are several other matters that will be discussed in connection with the work of the order, and all members are requested to make an effort to be present. The members nominated for office are requested to be in attendance early so that the other business may be carefully considered.

The Sons of St. George were much disappointed in their last meeting by the non-arrival of the great president, Bro. Thos. Bradbury. His business in Rossland, where he is erecting the government buildings, made it impossible for him to carry out his original plans, but he is certain to be present tomorrow evening. Last evening he was at Nanaimo, and arrives on the evening train today. All the members of the order are requested to be present, as the grand president will address the members on the history and growth of the order. Supply will follow the business of the Supper.

The Sons and Daughters of St. George, intent having their annual children's feast on New Year, in the A. O. U. W. hall. A committee from both societies have arranged a fine programme, and everything points to it being a great success.

The Vancouver Encampment, I. O. O. F., will meet their officers on January 7. Grand Patriarch Crossan will be present, and a committee of the lodge have in hand all the arrangements for his reception. The lodge has had a very prosperous year.

Columbia Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., the meeting of which is due on Christmas, have decided to adjourn until the following week, meeting on January 8. Members will take notice of the adjournment.

Victoria Lodge, K. of P., have had a very good attendance this year, the society having greatly enlarged the meetings. These will be continued throughout the winter. The efforts of the officers deserve the success they have merited. At the last meeting on Thursday quite a large number were present.

Alexandria Lodge, Sons of England, met on Thursday last, and the initiation took place. Interested interest is being taken in the meetings and it is to be hoped that during the remainder of the winter season a greater interest will be taken in the work. A social follows the initiations.

Pride of the Island Lodge will not meet until the New Year, there being five Tuesdays in December. Much sympathy is felt for Bro. G. Hughes, a respected member of the order, who was suddenly taken ill with appendicitis, and is now in the Jubilee hospital.

The Federated Board will meet on

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January 3, when the officers will resign and new officers elected. The accounts will be audited and the officers' report considered.

The Yorkshire society held a very successful meeting last week, the concert which followed proving what has always been claimed for the society, that no society in the city can equal it for entertaining talent. Mr. F. Richardson had some new Yorkshire stories for the members, which have been repeated in all parts of the city.

Far West Lodge, K. of P., again considered the new by-laws. The election of officers will take place in the first week in January. The election will be followed by a supper and social.

Victoriaerie, F. O. E., nominated officers on Wednesday evening. The election will take place on the 30th.

### ON THE EVE OF INVASION

#### How Britain Made Ready When Napoleon Threatened Her Shores.

From Daily Mail.

It is an interesting fact, which may or may not have a political and military significance, that within the past two years Frenchmen have been giving increasing attention to the study of the problem of invading England.

The third volume of his "Projets et Tentatives du Débarquement aux îles Britanniques," which has just been published under these auspices in Paris, Capo Desbrières gives the story from the first and most remarkable attempt of the invasion of all these attempts—that which engaged the attention of Napoleon in 1803 and 1804, on the eve of Trafalgar. He has examined the French papers of the period and has now content to take his facts at second hand. He has thus been able to throw light on many points which have hitherto been obscure, or to give the hitherto untried translation of the highest value. Yet it is not by any means creditable to British research that we should have to go to a foreigner for the history of one of the most tremendous importance in the life of the nation.

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The speech of the English army, which was "inevitable," the men in power were not afraid to prepare for them. The Captain shows that England stole a march on every Napoleon, and that all men the most difficult to surprise by beginning its armaments well before the declaration of war. This makes certain the answer to a question which has often been asked—whether Napoleon in 1804 finished for war. He would make no sacrifice to avoid it, but it does appear clearly that he was not responsible for the actual rupture.

He would probably find the records to have been in a miserable way, and its inferiority can be pictured from the fact that whereas France could not muster in the year 1804 more than 223 ships of the line, England had 400.

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Notwithstanding this immense naval preponderance which does not exist in our navy, the British army trained itself

not to collect and drill a vast force for home defence. On the eve of war there were 250,000 regulars, militia and yeomen

in various organizations. When it broke out and it was realized that all that England loved was at stake, offers of all kinds poured in upon the authorities. Even women, old men, schoolboys, apprentices, and Lady Jermyn herself offered to raise a corps of Amazons, who, however, were not to take a place in the fighting line, but were to drive off the cattle from the coast with the Devil himself.

The general plan adopted for use in case of invasion was an exact forerunner of that which the Russians adopted in 1812. The troops were to be sent to the frontier to collect and drill a vast force for

home defence, especially if the country invaded in the event of the Bill of Attainder being passed, giving the King and his servants all necessary authority.

Then the country was to be devastated, Remonstrances were to be made to the Duke of Richmond, led to the decision to abandon the scheme so far as it involved destruction of permanent property.

Finally decided that all cattle, horses and even dogs were to be destroyed, and that everything eatable should be removed.

A circular issued by the Duke of York, then Commander-in-chief, to the militia, was adopted by the authorities as a regular order, which forbade the soldiers to touch the cattle of the Boers: "The moment a landing had been effected," it runs, "the one object of the invaders should be to harass alarm and terrorize the people. Not only the greater part of this result than the operations of small bodies of men perfectly familiar with the country. They are to approach the outposts of the invader's army and then cut off his communications, to draw him into a serious engagement or run the risk of being cut off. Cleverly, if they take these precautions, they will be able to inflict a heavy loss on the enemy who does not know the roads, and who cannot bring with him any but a very weak force of cavalry. In this manner, they are in a position to inflict great damage, and to get up two or three times in the night, and could then only make water with great pain."

So far as is known, Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills are the only treatment that gets at the cause of kidney disease by quickening and regulating the action of the intestines, as well as invigorating and restoring the kidneys themselves. There must be some great secret for the phenomenal and continual success of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. Gradually the demand for them has increased, until now there is a similar remedy that has anything like the sale of this great prescription. It seems safe to conclude that much is due to the fact that Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills have a direct and combined influence on kidneys, liver and bowels.

Mr. Wm. Boyne of 10 McGee street, Toronto, says: "I was afflicted severely with kidney disease, stone in the bladder, incontinence, deposits in the urine, severe pains in the back, and strains over the loins. I was so bad that I could get up only two or three times in the night, and could then only make water with great pain."

"Though long a sufferer, and unable to work, was confined to my bed for three weeks, and thought that I could not possibly endure misery. I could not possibly endure greater misery. It was then that I began to use Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. It is with gratitude that I say that they have freed me of all these symptoms and made me a well man."

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As the French never would never be able to know when they were fighting, and when they had been defeated, they could easily be beaten with undisputed troops would be very dangerous against such men as those who were only a few years later to reap evergreen laurels on the blood-stained fields of Peninsula.

To get the troops required, the government did not shrink from the stimulus of compulsion. Men for the army of reserve were drawn by ballot, but, if they did not care to be compelled to serve, substitutes

were permitted to be used.

As a last resource, and behind the formidable total of regulars, militia, yeomen and volunteers was to come a army en masse, all men from 17 to 45. As early as 1803 it was decided that there were nearly half a million volunteers under arms, besides 250,000 regulars and militia. Yet it was still said that our armament was insufficient, so in 1804 another call was drawn from a population not much more than a third of that which our Islands number today, a great number were without firearms, and it still remained to be seen whether the most numerous training.

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As the French never would never be able to know when they were fighting, and when they had been defeated, they could easily be beaten with undisputed troops would be very dangerous against such men as those who were only a few years later to reap evergreen laurels on the blood-stained fields of Peninsula.

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